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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Kenneth R. Schmidt et al.

For : SHEET-TO-TUBE WELDED STRUCTURE AND METHOD

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

A Response is enclosed.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a), please extend the shortened period for response by one (1) month. The extension fee is:

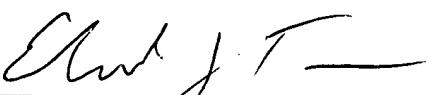
\$ 120.00 (37 CFR 1.17a1)

\$ 60.00 (37 CFR 1.17a1; this application is entitled to small entity status)

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$120.00 fee for the time extension to my deposit account No. 20-1124. The Commissioner also is authorized to charge any deficiency in the time extension fee or credit any overpayment to deposit account No. 20-1124.

Respectfully submitted,

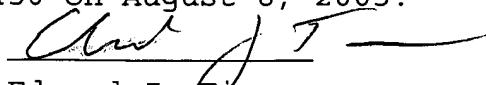
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